

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

1. (Original) A composition for topical application comprising a liquid fatty phase thickened by fat soluble rheological agent and polymer particles, said polymer particles dispersed in the liquid fatty phase and stabilized at the surface of the liquid fatty phase by a stabilizing agent, wherein said fat-soluble rheological agent results from the polymerization of at least one monomer possessing an ethylenic bond.
2. (Currently Amended) A The composition according to Claim 1, wherein said rheological agent is chosen from vinyl, acrylic and methacrylic polymers.
3. (Currently Amended) A The composition according to Claim 1, wherein said rheological agent is a block copolymer.
4. (Currently Amended) A The composition according to Claim 3, wherein said rheological agent is a copolymer comprising at least one styrene block and at least one ethylene-propylene or ethylene-butylene or methacrylate block.
5. (Currently Amended) A The composition according to Claim 3, wherein said rheological agent is a triblock copolymer.
6. (Currently Amended) A The composition according to Claim 1, wherein said rheological agent is present in an amount ranging from 0.05% to 20% of the total weight of the composition.

7. (Currently Amended) A The composition according to Claim 6, wherein said rheological agent is present in an amount ranging from 0.5 to 5% of the total weight of the composition.

8. (Currently Amended) A The composition according to Claim 1, wherein said polymer particles dispersed in the liquid fatty phase ~~can~~ forms a film upon topical application.

9. (Currently Amended) A The composition according to Claim 1, further comprising at least one active principle chosen from cosmetic, dermatological, hygiene, and pharmaceutical active principles.

10. (Currently Amended) A The composition according to Claim 1, further comprising at least one coloring material.

11. (Currently Amended) A The composition according to Claim 1, wherein said polymer particles dispersed in the liquid fatty phase are chosen from radical polymers, polycondensates, polymers of natural origin, and ~~their~~ mixtures thereof.

12. (Currently Amended) A The composition according to Claim 11, wherein said polymer particles dispersed in the liquid fatty phase are chosen from polyurethanes; polyurethane-acrylics; polyureas; polyurea-polyurethanes; polyester-polyurethanes; polyether-polyurethanes; polyesters; polyesteramides; polyesters with a fatty chain or alkyds; acrylic polymers or copolymers; vinyl polymers or copolymers; acrylic-vinyl copolymers; acrylic-silicone copolymers; polyacrylamides; silicone polymers, fluorinated polymers; and mixtures thereof.

13. (Currently Amended) A The composition according to Claim 1, wherein said liquid fatty phase comprises at least one carbon-containing, hydrocarbon-containing, fluorinated or silicone oil of mineral, animal, plant or synthetic origin, alone or as a mixture.

14. (Currently Amended) A The composition according to Claim 13, wherein said liquid fatty phase is chosen from liquid paraffin, liquid petrolatum, mink oil, turtle oil, soybean oil, perhydrosqualene, sweet almond oil, calophyllum oil, palm oil, parleam oil, grape seed oil, sesame oil, maize oil, rapeseed oil, sunflower oil, cottonseed oil, apricot oil, castor oil, avocado oil, jojoba oil, olive oil or cereal germ oil; esters of lanolic acid, of oleic acid, of lauric acid or of stearic acid; fatty esters; higher fatty acids having at least 14 carbon atoms; higher fatty alcohols having at least 16 carbon atoms; silicone oils; polysiloxanes modified by fatty acids, fatty alcohols or polyoxyalkylenes; fluorinated silicones or perfluorinated oils; and volatile oils.

15. (Currently Amended) A The composition according to Claim 1, wherein said liquid fatty phase comprises at least one oil which is volatile at room temperature and atmospheric pressure.

16. (Currently Amended) A The composition according to Claim 1, wherein said stabilizing agent is chosen from sequential polymers, grafted polymers, random polymers, and mixtures thereof.

17. (Currently Amended) A The composition according to Claim 16, wherein said stabilizing agent is chosen from silicone polymers grafted with a hydrocarbon-containing chain; hydrocarbon-containing polymers grafted with a silicone chain; grafted copolymers having an insoluble backbone of polyacrylic type with soluble

grafts of poly(12-hydroxystearic acid) type; grafted or sequential block copolymers comprising at least one block of polyorganosiloxane type and at least one block of a radical polymer; grafted or sequential block copolymers comprising at least one block of polyorganosiloxane type and at least one block of a polyether; copolymers of C₁-C₄ alkyl acrylates or methacrylates and of C₈-C₃₀ alkyl acrylates or methacrylates; grafted or sequential block copolymers comprising at least one block resulting from the polymerization of ethylenic monomers optionally comprising conjugated bonds and at least one block of a vinyl polymer; grafted or sequential block copolymers comprising at least one block resulting from the polymerization of ethylenic monomers optionally comprising conjugated bonds and at least one block of an acrylic polymer; and grafted or sequential block copolymers comprising at least one block resulting from the polymerization of dienes and at least one block of a polyether.

18. (Currently Amended) A The composition according to Claim 16, wherein said stabilizing agent is a grafted or sequential block copolymer comprising at least one block resulting from the polymerization of dienes and at least one block of a vinyl polymer.

19. (Currently Amended) A The composition according to Claim 1, further comprising at least one additional fatty phase chosen from waxes; gums; pasty fatty substances of plant, animal, mineral, synthetic or silicone origin; and mixtures thereof.

20. (Currently Amended) A The composition according to Claim 10, wherein said at least one coloring material comprises at least one pulverulent compound chosen from fillers, pigments and pearlescent agents.

21. (Currently Amended) A The composition according to Claim 20, wherein said at least one pulverulent compound is present in an amount ranging from 0% to 50% of the total weight of the composition.

22. (Currently Amended) A The composition according to Claim 21, wherein said at least one pulverulent compound is present in an amount ranging from 1% to 40% of the total weight of the composition.

23. (Currently Amended) A The composition according to Claim 1, wherein said polymer particles dispersed in the liquid fatty phase comprise dry matter present in an amount ranging from 0% to 60% of the total weight of the composition.

24. (Currently Amended) A The composition according to Claim 23, wherein said polymer particles dispersed in the liquid fatty phase comprise dry matter present in an amount ranging from 12 to 60% of the total weight of the composition.

25. (Currently Amended) A The composition according to Claim 1, wherein said liquid fatty phase comprises at least one oil chosen from C_8 - C_{16} isoparaffins, isododecane, and linear or cyclic silicones having from 2 to 7 silicon atoms, wherein said these silicones optionally comprise alkyl groups having from 1 to 10 carbon atoms.

26. (Currently Amended) A The composition according to Claim 1, wherein said composition is in the form of a stick, in the form of a supple paste with a dynamic viscosity at 25°C of 1 to 40 Pa.s, in the form of a disk, of an oily gel, of an oily liquid, of a vesicular dispersion comprising at least one of ionic and non-ionic lipids, or in the form of a water-in-oil or oil-in-water emulsion.

27. (Currently Amended) A The composition according to Claim 1, wherein said composition is in an anhydrous form.

28. (Currently Amended) A The composition according to Claim 1, wherein said composition is in the form of a product for caring for and for making up at least one of the skin and lips.

29. (Currently Amended) A The composition according to Claim 28, wherein said composition is in the form of a foundation, of a blusher, of an eyeshadow, of a lipstick, of a base or balm for caring for the lips, of a product for concealing rings under the eyes, of an eyeliner, or of a mascara.

30. (Original) A process for making a composition for topical application to decrease or eliminate transfer of a film of the composition deposited on human skin or lips to a substrate brought into contact with the film or to retain its gloss, said process comprising dispersing particles of at least one polymer in a liquid fatty phase, stabilizing said particles at the surface of said liquid fatty phase by a stabilizing agent, polymerizing at least one monomer possessing an ethylenic bond to form a fat-soluble rheological agent, and thickening said fatty phase with said fat-soluble rheological agent.

31. (Original) A process for the cosmetic care of or for making up the lips or skin, said process comprising applying to the lips or skin, a cosmetic composition comprising a liquid fatty phase thickened by a fat-soluble rheological agent and polymer particles dispersed in the liquid fatty phase and stabilized at the surface of the liquid fatty phase by a stabilizing agent, wherein said fat-soluble rheological agent resulting from the polymerization of at least one monomer possessing an ethylenic bond.

32. (Currently Amended) A process for limiting or eliminating the transfer of a composition for making up or caring for the skin or lips onto a substrate other than the skin or lips, wherein said composition comprises a liquid fatty phase and at least one ingredient chosen from cosmetic, ~~dermatologist~~ dermatological, hygiene and pharmaceutical active principles and coloring materials, said process comprising introducing into the liquid fatty phase of said composition a fat-soluble rheological agent resulting from the polymerization of at least one ethylenic monomer and polymer particles, which polymer particles are dispersible in said liquid fatty phase and can be stabilized at the surface of said liquid fatty phase by a stabilizing agent.

33. (Currently Amended) A The composition according to Claim 14, wherein said fatty esters are chosen from isopropyl myristate, isopropyl palmitate, butyl stearate, hexyl laurate, diisopropyl adipate, isononyl isononate, 2-ethylhexyl palmitate, 2-hexyldecyl laurate, 2-octyldecyl palmitate, 2-octyldodecyl myristate or lactate, di(2-ethylhexyl) succinate, diisostearyl malate, glyceryl triisostearate₁ and diglyceryl triisostearate.

34. (Currently Amended) A The composition according to Claim 14, wherein said higher fatty acids are chosen from myristic acid, palmitic acid, stearic acid, behenic acid, oleic acid, linoleic acid, linolenic acid₁ and isostearic acid.

35. (Currently Amended) A The composition according to Claim 14, wherein said higher fatty alcohols are chosen from cetanol, stearyl alcohol or oleyl alcohol, linoleyl or linolenyl alcohol, isostearyl alcohol₁ and octyldodecanol.

36. (Currently Amended) A The composition according to Claim 14, wherein said silicone oils are chosen from polydimethylsiloxane (PDMS) and silicone

oils which are optionally phenylated, or which are optionally substituted by aliphatic and/or aromatic groups or by functional groups.

37. (Currently Amended) A The composition according to Claim 36, wherein said silicone oils which are optionally phenylated are chosen from phenyltrimethicones.

38. (Currently Amended) A The composition according to Claim 36, wherein in said silicone oils which are optionally substituted by functional groups, said functional groups are chosen from hydroxyl, thiol, and amine groups.

39. (Currently Amended) A The composition according to Claim 14, wherein said volatile oils are chosen from octamethylcyclotetrasiloxane, decamethylcyclopentasiloxane, hexadecamethylcyclohexasiloxane, heptamethylhexyltrisiloxane, heptamethyloctyltrisiloxane or C₈-C₁₆ isoparaffins, and isododecane.